

Maine Revised Statutes

Title 12: CONSERVATION

Chapter 917: TRAPPING HEADING: PL 2003, c. 414, Pt. A, §2 (new); Pt. D, §7 (aff); c. 614, §9 (aff)

§12255. TENDING TRAPS

1. Failure to visit traps. A person shall:

A. While trapping in an organized or incorporated place:

(1) Check each trap, except killer-type traps, at least once in every calendar day; and

(2) Check each killer-type trap at least once in every 3 calendar days; and [2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §217 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

B. While trapping in an unorganized place:

(1) Check each trap, except killer-type traps and drowning sets, at least once in every calendar day; and

(2) Check each killer-type trap or drowning set at least once in every 5 calendar days. [2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §217 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

This subsection does not apply to under-ice drowning sets for beaver and muskrat. For the purposes of this subsection, "check" means to visit or cause to be visited.

A person who violates this subsection commits a Class E crime.

[2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §217 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

2. Failure to remove animal from trap. A person shall remove or cause to be removed from that person's trap an animal found caught in that trap.

A person who violates this subsection commits a Class E crime.

[2003, c. 614, §9 (AFF); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §217 (AMD); 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §422 (AFF) .]

3. Carrying a firearm while trapping. Notwithstanding section 11205, subsection 1, paragraph A and section 11206, subsection 1, paragraph A, a person who holds a valid trapping license may carry a firearm at any time during the open trapping season for the sole purpose of dispatching trapped animals unless that person is prohibited from possessing a firearm under Title 15, section 393, subsection 1 and has not obtained a valid permit in accordance with Title 15, section 393, subsection 2.

[2011, c. 1, §18 (COR) .]

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